SOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a)

	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91
XI	10	8	11
XII	14	8	11

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Projection of antiques in Neelkantheshwar, Rajasthan

3295. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether most of the antiques have been stolen from Neelkantheshwar in Rajgarh (Rajasthan); and

(b) if so, the details of steps proposed to be taken by the Government to protect and preserve these antiques?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Only 5 sculptures were stolen from Neelkantheshwar temple, Rajgarh, District Alwar, Rajasthan on 28.6.1988. But of these, two have been recovered with the help of police. Necessary follow up action is on for retrieving of the remaihing ones.

(b) Archaeological Survey of India has provided armed Police guards at the monuments and sculpture shed at this place. Besides, posting of Security Officer, watch-and-ward has been strenthened. Adequate measures have been taken to protect and preserve the antiques at site.

[*English*]

Renewal of Tracks in Orissa and Bihar

3296. SHRI SRIKANTA JENA:
SHRI SUKDEO PASWAN:
SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the railway lines which were approved and taken up for renewal during the Seventh Plan in Orissa and Bihar;

(b) the extent of work completed so far in each case; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to complete the work on schedule?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b). Length of Railway Tracks in km. approved for renewal in the VII Plan and completed so far are as follows:

	Bihar	Orissa
Approved	1264	547
Completed	1135	481

(c) The balance of the approved renewals are programmed for completion in 1992-93.

National Commission for Women

3297. SHRI BHUWAN CHANDRA KHANDURI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have recently set up a National Commission for Women;

(b) if so, the nature of its constitution and the areas of its jurisdiction;

(c) whether the Commission has met since its constitution;

(d) whether representatives from different State Governments were invited to elicit their views on different aspects of women development in various circumstances;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) if not, whether different voluntary organisations engaged in welfare of women are likely to be given opportunity to express their views in the forth-coming meetings; and

(g) whether the Commission's report will be laid on the Table of the House?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE): (a) to (g). The Government has constituted the National Commission for Women on 31.1.1992. The Commission consists of a Chairperson, five Members and a Member-Secretary. Its jurisdiction extends to the whole of India except the State of Jammu & Kashmir.

The Commission has started functioning and has had one meeting since its constitution. The State Government have been requested to send their views on different aspects of development of women. The Commission has commenced the process of interacting with voluntary organisations and individuals who are engaged in the field of welfare of women to solicit their views.

The National Commission for Women Act 1990, also provides for the constitution of Committee in which individuals other than the Members of the Commission can also be co-opted as Members to study issues and problems relating to women as decided by the Commission from time to time.

The National Commission for Woman Act 1990 provides that the Annual Report of the Commission and Audit Report would be laid before each House of Parliament by the Government after the reports are received together with a Memorandum of Action to be taken on the recommendations contained therein, to the extent they relate to the Central Government.

[*Translation*]

Encephalitis and Kala-Azar in U. P. and Bihar

3298. SHRI MOHAN SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons died of encephalitis and Kala-Azar in Eastern Uttar Pradesh and Bihar between August and October, 1991;

(b) the causes of spreading of such diseases; and

(c) the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) As per the reports of State Government the number of persons died due to Japanese Encephalitis and Kala-azar in the State of Bihar Eastern Uttar Pradesh are as under:–